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Former officer sues county, sheriff

BY RICHARD MEEK

A former Hancock County officer has filed a discrimination suit in federal court against Hancock County and Sheriff Ronnie Peterson.

Xavier D. Martinez, in a six-page complaint, claims he was denied "training and promotions which other non-Hispanic officers of different national origin were allowed," by Peter-

son. He is being represented by attorney Harold Griscom of Gulfport.

Additionally, it is alleged that Peterson allowed other officers to participate "in a pattern of conduct" which discriminated against Martinez.

According to the suit filed in the U.S. District Court's Southern District of Miss. 34, this conduct included "abuse and

repeated abuse concerning (Martinez's) national origin, descent, and ancestry. (Peterson and his officials) turned their backs on a course of conduct that was verbally and physically abusive."

Martinez alleges that Peterson permitted other officers to use a number of racial slurs against Martinez.

"Such conduct was so agree-

able that they ridicule (Martinez) by asking if their comments are discrimination," the suit claims. "These intentional acts were done without right or justifiable cause."

Martinez began employment at the sheriff's department on April 5, 1993. He was initially hired as a part-time employee correctional officer, but was later hired on a full-

time basis.

The suit also claims Martinez was denied an opportunity for promotion because of his Hispanic origins. He filed a charge of discrimination against the county on March 15, 1995. A Right to Sue letter was issued to Martinez on Jan. 29, 1996.

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Favre NOT FOR SUIT P.O. BOX 530 to jail

BY BETSY GAGNET
Scott Favre is going to prison.

After violating the house arrest that was part of the sentence he received in March when he pleaded guilty to felony DUI involving a death, Favre will serve out his time in a Mississippi prison.

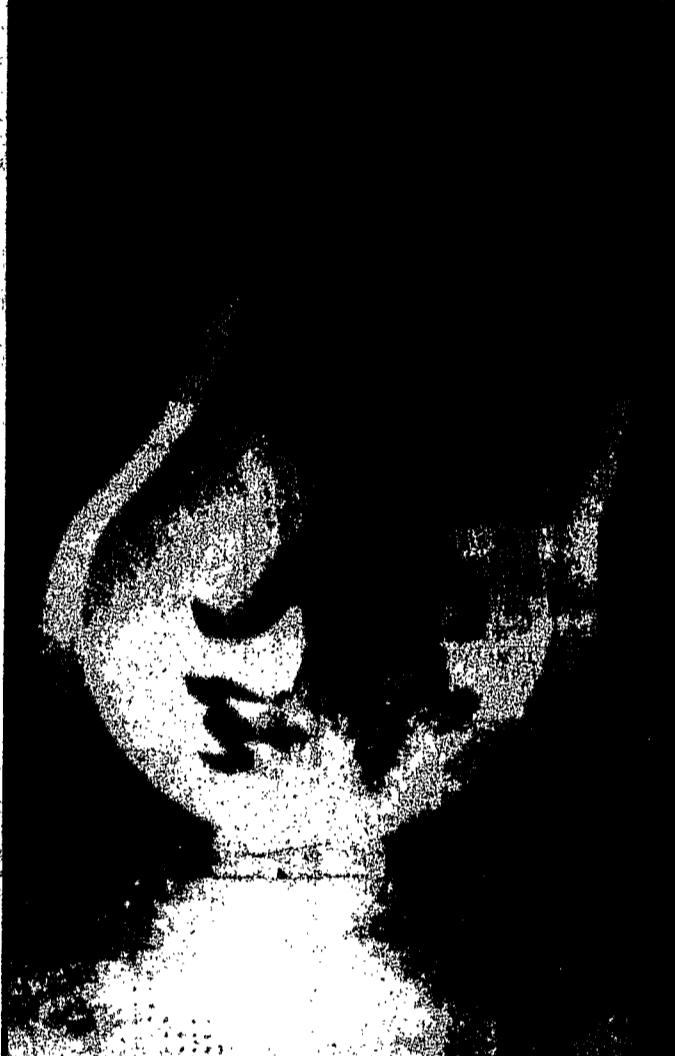
Under present rules, Favre will be required to serve at least 12 years and nine months of his 15-year sentence before he is eligible for parole.

According to Hancock County Sheriff Ronnie Peterson, Favre was transferred out of the Hancock County jail Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. by Mississippi Department of Corrections. Peterson was not certain where Favre would be taken, since MDOC does not usually disclose that information, he said.

Favre, the brother of Green Bay quarterback Brett Favre, was stopped in Diamondhead by Hancock County sheriff's deputies Monday morning while driving on an unauthorized outing with a suspended driver's license, constituting a violation of his house arrest.

The Mississippi Department of Corrections was notified and a warrant was issued for Favre's arrest. On Tuesday,

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Holiday fun

Buccaneer State Park and its water slide was one of the spots where adults and children came to enjoy the long Memorial Day weekend. Park Ranger Roland Lee says McLeod Water Park near Kiln was so crowded with campers that some people looking for overnight sites had to be turned away. (Echo staff photo by Ed Lepoma)

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Escaped trusty still at large

BY RICHARD MEEK

A Hancock County trusty who escaped Saturday afternoon remains at large.

County Sheriff Ronnie Peterson said it is believed that

Michael Nelson, 28, is in the area of his Lacombe, La., home.

"We feel like he is in the Lacombe area," said Peterson. "We'll get him back."

Nelson has been jailed for the past six months on a drug charge. The charge carries a possible three-year sentence, but because it was his first offense, Peterson said he possibly would have received probation.

When captured, Nelson will face an additional charge of jail escape, for which he could serve another five years in the

state penitentiary in Parchman.

Nelson, who is approximately six feet tall and weighs 180

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Honoring veterans

Members of American Legion Post 139 marked Memorial Day in Bay St. Louis with services at the grave of namesake Clement R. Bontemps, at St. Mary's Cemetery in Bay St. Louis, then flag-raising and other ceremonies at their lodge off Blue Meadow Road. American Legion Post 77 in Waveland also held services in honor of veterans. (Echo staff photo by Ed Lepoma)

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Michael Ladner new HHS coach

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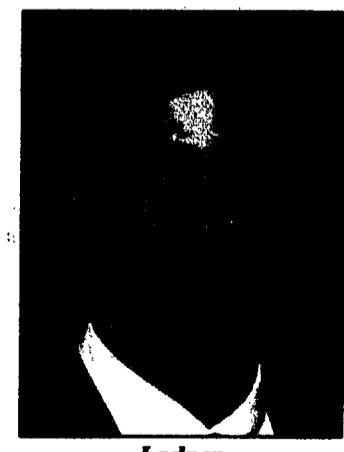
Former Hancock North Central player Michael Ladner was hired Wednesday night as the boys' basketball coach at Hancock High School, fulfilling what he calls his "childhood dream" to coach the Hawks.

Ladner, son of Mississippi's all-time winningest high school basketball coach Roland Ladner, has been the girls' assistant at the University of Memphis since 1991. Ladner graduated in 1981 from HNC, where he earned several athletic and academic awards. He was voted Mr. Hancock North Central in his senior year.

"Hancock has a rich tradition, not only in basketball but in all sports," Ladner said from his Memphis home. "I think it's important that I have a link to the past."

"There are enough people that know (the tradition) well."

In his sophomore season, Ladner was backup guard to Dean Shaw, currently the head

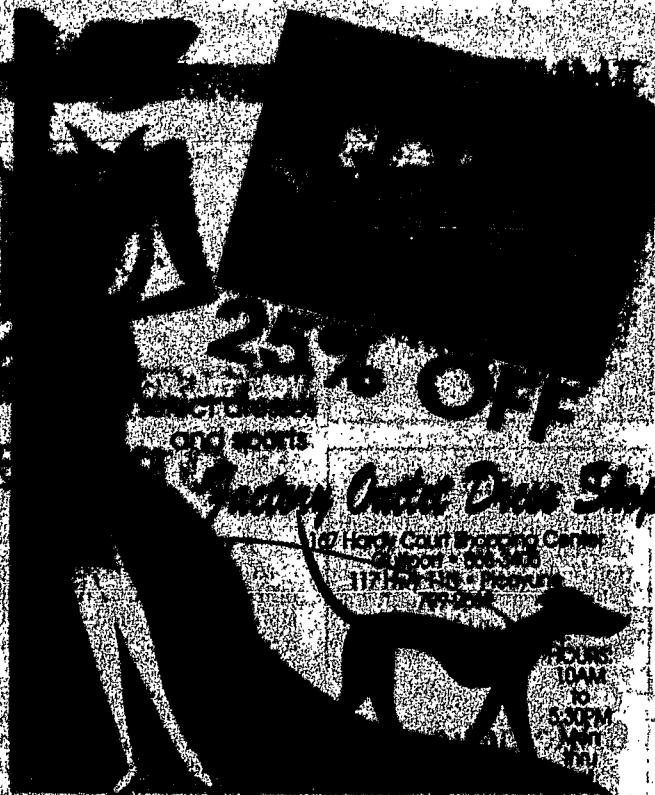
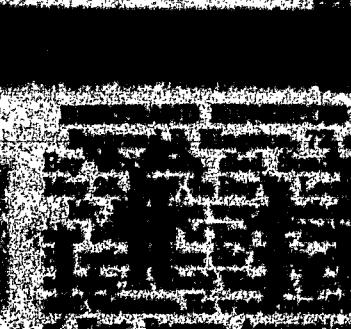
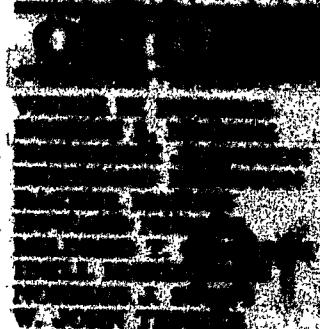


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coach at Picayune. That team finished second in the state tournament, losing to Stone County when officials waved off a last second tip-in.

The Hawks were 25-7 in Ladner's junior year but failed to make the state playoffs when East Central stunned

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OBITUARIES

OBITUARIES are published in the newspaper on a weekly basis. The cost is \$100 per obituary. Please call 467-9031 for more information.

ROBERT L. HUDSON, 76, of Pass Christian, died Tuesday, May 27, 1997, in Pass Christian.

Mr. Hudson was a Catholic and a member of VFW Post 6265. He was a veteran of World War II serving in the U.S. Army. He was a native of Bay St. Louis.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis was in charge of arrangements.

RACHEL MARTIN, 81, of Pass Christian, died Saturday, May 24, 1997, in Gulfport.

Miss Martin was a native of Pryor, Okla. She was preceded in death by her husband, Floyd K. Martin; a son, Basil "Smokie" Martin; a grandson, Michael R. Martin; three brothers and three sisters.

Survivors include a granddaughter, Martha Howard of Lorton, Va.

A graveside service was conducted Wednesday in Live Oak Cemetery in Pass Christian.

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MARGARET JOHNSTON, Margaret Davis Johnston, 90, of Bay St. Louis, died Saturday, May 24, 1997, in Gulfport.

Mrs. Johnston was born in Nashville, Tenn., and was a retired assistant county tax supervisor in Cabarrus County, N.C. She was a member of First Presbyterian Church of Concord, N.C. She had been a resident of the Mississippi Gulf Coast for 40 years.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Harry L. Johnson Sr., and her parents, Harry Thurston and Minnie Overstreet Davis.

Survivors include a son, Harry L. Johnson Jr. of Long Beach; brothers Thurston Davis and Eugene Davis, both of Charlotte, N.C.; and a grandson, Scott L. Johnston of Long Beach.

A graveside service will be conducted today at 11 a.m. in Oakwood Cemetery in Concord, N.C.

The family prefers memorials to First Presbyterian Church, P.O. Box 789, Concord, N.C. 28028.

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Mr. Marsh was a member of Pass Christian and a member of Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church in Pass Christian.

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NORMAN J. SCOTT, Norman Joseph Scott, 70, of Waveland, died Tuesday, May 27, 1997, in Gulfport.

Mr. Scott was formerly from New Orleans and a resident of Mississippi for 21 years. He was a World War II veteran having served in the Army in the Normandy Invasion as a gunner. He was a retired construction project manager for Colgate Construction Co. of Metairie, La. He was a member of the Carpenters Union Local 1845 in New Orleans, American Legion Post 77, of Waveland, RSVF, Waveland Civic Association, AARP Chapter 1114, Waveland Senior Citizens, and Blind Veterans Association. He was also a long-time bowler at Triangle Lanes, Gulfport.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Helen; two sons, Eugene Scott and three sisters, Helen Fervat, Carol Wright and Patricia Viera; four brothers, Eldred, Paul, Charles and Harold Scott.

Survivors include his wife, Lula Belle Ogden Scott of Waveland; a son, Roland Joseph Scott of Violet, La.; and two granddaughters.

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Waveland Bay St. Louis board to help district solve drainage problem

BY ED LEPOMA

City of Waveland, Bay St. Louis and Hancock and Davis county commissioners met May 22 at the Waveland City Hall to discuss a drainage problem at the football field.

The board approved Waveland Public Utilities Director Steve Landry to study and design the drainage problem. City crews from Bay St. Louis will provide the labor.

Drainage has plagued the field since a new track facility was completed last fall. Apparently, the track is acting as a dam and restricting the flow of

water from the field.

City Engineer James Chiniche has been retained to do a study of the drainage problem. Chiniche's bid was \$10,000, and he will start work immediately after Bay St. Louis crews and volunteers remove dirt off of the field.

Board members rejected superintendent Dr. Mike Reed's recommendation to pay local engineer James Chiniche up to \$6,000 for a study at the field. Chiniche's detailed bid included charging the district \$70 an hour for a professional engineer, up to \$80 an hour for a

four-man work crew, and \$20 an hour for clerical services.

Chiniche's bid was \$10,000, which board members Bay St. Louis and Hancock and Davis commissioners rejected.

Board members agreed there is a lot of money involved.

It was then that board attorney Ronne Arlineus reported Waveland Mayor John Mason said Landry would put together a plan for "very minimal expenses."

Later, Reed revealed that Bay St. Louis had offered to provide the labor.

The board unanimously

voted to accept Chiniche's bid and rejected the offers from Waveland and Bay St. Louis.

After the football game at the variety competition between Bay High and Hancock, the commissioners

met to discuss the drainage problem.

The board moved forward with plans to renovate a classroom at Bay High for a pilot Family and Consumer Science course to be taught beginning in the fall. The course will address daily living skills, including parenting decisions, nutrition and fitness, mental, family, personal and social health, substance abuse prevention, personal finances, and consumer health.

The Mississippi Department of Education is picking up the \$70,000 in costs to renovate the classroom and buy supplies, which includes some fitness equipment.

Reed said the district is one of 16 statewide selected for the program.

The board approved the hiring of Landry Kay as assistant soccer/football coach. Kay, presently under contract in Hattiesburg, coached the Tigers during spring practice. He was paid \$50 a day by the district, but docked \$75 a day by his current district.

Kay's approval came after an executive session that lasted approximately one hour and 10 minutes. Over the last two meetings, the board has been in executive session a combined three years, but only in open meeting for a combined one hour.

Pass paying annexation tab

BY ED LEPOMA

Pass Christian is still paying the tab for its attempt to annex the Isles and Henderson Point more than a year after a court ruling denying the request.

At last week's recess meeting, Mayor Billy McDonald announced the key consultant has agreed to a plan that allows the

Cox elected to state post

Bay St. Louis Police Sgt. Paul Cox has been elected South Region vice president of Sobriety-Trained Officers Representing Mississippi (STORM), a statewide organization of more than 160 law enforcement officers dedicated to combating the state's more serious roadway safety problem: driving under the influence (DUI) of alcohol and other drugs.

"This organization has received national attention for its success in bringing together law enforcement officers in a united effort to battle a serious problem," said Mike Vick, law enforcement liaison for the Mississippi Division of Public Safety Planning, sponsor of STORM.

"The cooperation and coordination by STORM members across Mississippi are clear signals that there is no 'safe haven' for impaired driving in our state," noted Ron Sennett, Public Safety Planning's interim executive director.

"Year after year, more than 300 Mississippians are killed in motor vehicle crashes involving alcohol and other drugs. A major goal of STORM is to sharply reduce this needless loss of lives."

Clarification

A two-mill levy that helped retire a Hancock County Port & Harbor bond is a state levy and not specifically designated for the P&H. Several years ago, the supervisors elected to use the millage to pay off the P&H bond. The county is now using the money to pay for reappraisal.

city to pay the balance it owes in installments.

Aldermen approved a payment of \$38,257.50 to Joseph A. Lusteck and Associates of Jackson within 30 days. The balance of \$81,500, plus \$2,000 in interest will be paid the firm by next Feb. 15 when property tax collections should be sufficient to cover the amount outstanding, said McDonald.

The Jackson firm, which wrote the feasibility study to justify the annexation attempt, had submitted a total bill of \$124,642, and the city had already paid the firm \$55,370.

Ward 1 Alderman Jeff Emerson had argued against paying Lusteck the balance, saying Lusteck "lost every point that was contested in the case."

Originally, Lusteck had agreed to a four-year payout plan proposed by McDonald, but aldermen would not go along with the deal.

The failed annexation attempt has cost the city about \$236,000.

In other business, aldermen concurred in a planning commission recommendation to rescind the waiver that allowed subdivisions to be developed without curbs and gutters.

The city will no longer allow developments with open drainage ditches.

McDonald said, "They're eating out lunch." He said the practice allowed open ditches, but later on, the city would put in catch basins, culverts and

Elks steak night set for Friday

Bay-Waveland Area Elks are hosting a sit-down or take-out steak dinner Friday from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the VFW Hall near Washington Avenue and Third Street in Bay St. Louis.

Menus alternate between steak and fish fry every Friday night. May 30 will be a steak night.

Menu consists of rib-eye with baked potato, salad, French bread and dessert. Cost is \$7. Drinks are available in the VFW Lounge.

The Bay-Waveland Elks promote Americanism and youth activities in our local area.

drainage if property owners provided the pipe.

"We're playing catchup now," said McDonald. "The work crews can't keep up with the demand."

The city also let a contract for \$106,324 to Landmark Construction of Gulfport for paving the southeast parking lot in the Pass Christian smallcraft harbor.

McDonald said a new road will run along the eastern portion of the parking lot and will allow visitors to the Yacht Club access without having to go through the commercial area of the harbor.

Tidelands funds will be used for the project.

Construction is expected to begin sometime in June with completion scheduled in 60 days.

McPhail remains critical

Evelyn McPhail of Diamondhead remains in the intensive care unit at Methodist Hospital of Hattiesburg in critical but stable condition, a hospital report said Wednesday.

McPhail was involved in a one-car accident on Monday, May 19, near Laurel.

In the report her family said, "Mrs. McPhail remains in intensive care in critical condition. Doctors say she remains very stable, but there has been no significant change over the last 48 hours.

"She remains unconscious, and it will still probably be some time before they're able to fully determine the effects of her head injuries. They have performed a tracheotomy and have inserted a stomach feeding tube to replace the endotracheal breathing and feeding tubes that had been in her throat. Those are typical procedures in such cases and will hopefully make her more comfortable over the long term.

People have been remarkably attentive, supportive and caring during this difficult time, and we greatly appreciate their concern. We respectfully ask that everyone please continue to keep Evelyn in their prayers."

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A \$200 reward is being offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction by the police of persons who removed several street signs in the Overmount Harbor/Lakeshore area.

Hancock County Clerk/District Notary Hoda said the signs were removed several weeks ago and could cause some serious consequences.

Hoda recalled recent convictions in Florida where stop signs were removed and soon volunteers were killed in an auto accident.

Street signs are very important and necessary for emergency vehicles such as police, ambulances and fire trucks.

A missing street sign could cause someone to lose a life.

Among the street signs removed are North Railroad, Colly Road and Evelyn Place, Hoda said.

Anyone with information on the signs are asked to contact Hoda at 467-5101. The reward is being offered by an unidentified person.

On Wednesday I was talking to Mrs. Sauzer, president of the Hancock County Food Pantry, who mentioned the organization served some 380 people during the month of April.

That is a large number of deserving people in need, and I am glad the community has the Food Pantry.

Recently the city and rural mail carriers collected food for the Food Pantry and received record numbers of items. Casino Magic also had a drive which really helped the Food Pantry.

As most of you know, the Hancock County Food Pantry is an all-volunteer organization and helps thousands of deserving people each year.

The Food Pantry is located in the Hancock County Court Annex next to the Civil Defense Office, Ulman Avenue.

Its regular hours are from 9 to noon Mondays through Fridays.

Mrs. Sauzer also proudly displayed the new cooler which is now up and running. It was through the donations of many that the necessary materials needed for the cooler were purchased. Mrs. Sauzer's husband built the cooler.

It is great to live in a community where there is such an organization as the Hancock County Food Pantry. It is greater to have so many volunteers and, yes, the many donors of money, food, etc., which make the Food Pantry possible.

The Diamondhead Woman's Club will be selling gladiolus today from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in front of the Diamondhead Fire Department.

The glads are donated by Dorothy Hoskins, and all proceeds will be donated to Alzheimer and Hospice organizations said Lee Fredian, club spokesperson.

Donations are \$5 bunch. I hope to see you in Diamondhead today.

Letters Welcome

The Sea Coast Echo welcomes comments from its readers on subjects of general interest. Letters must be signed and include address or phone number so that the sender can be contacted by the newspaper if necessary. Letters should be brief, preferably typewritten and double spaced, and conform to standards of good taste.

Letters of thanks, expressions of appreciation and political endorsements are considered inappropriate for the Letters to the Editor columns.

—Ellis Cuevas, publisher

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IN CONGRESS

By Representative
Gene Taylor

Congress passes law to speed adoptions of abused children

I've made no secret of the fact that I've been angered by the slow pace of the 105th Congress. While we waited in session several months, Congress has failed to pass a budget, failed to pass anti-drug legislation and hasn't addressed meaningful campaign finance reform and other issues that are important to the citizens of this country.

However, I am pleased that Congress addressed a problem that has been ignored by the federal government for almost 20 years. By an overwhelming vote, the House passed a bill which will speed up the adoption of abused and neglected children.

In doing so, Congress reaffirmed that nothing is more important than the well-being and future of our children, and our nation cannot turn its back on children who are victims of abuse and neglect.

The key to the bill is that it gives primary consideration to a child's safety in decisions about whether or not children should be returned from foster care to their parents.

We would like to think that the best thing for children is that they be with their biological families whenever possible. But when a child is in a home where he or she is physically abused, neglected or is with parents who use drugs, it is time for society to step in.

Supporters of this legislation include Dr. Sidney and Mary Doug Chevis of Bay St. Louis. For 21 years, the Chevises have kept foster children in their home who were waiting to be adopted.

They agree that this legislation is important to our nation's children because it speeds up the waiting process for these youngsters who have already endured very difficult situations.

"We're just so excited about this," said Mary Doug. "We hope it moves forward and becomes law soon."

On the very day after Congress passed the measure to protect the safety of abused children, *The Washington Post* had a front page story detailing how an 11-year-old boy was beaten to death by his father. His father had 10 convictions for robbery and other criminal charges.

Earlier the boy had to be taken from the residence of his mother who had been charged with neglect of the child. A neglectful mother and a violent, abusive father, and now a dead 11-year-old boy.

For many years it was felt that foster care was the answer for abused and neglected children. Most experts agree that the nation's troubled foster care system is now not able to meet its intended role as a temporary place for children who were removed from their natural parents because of abuse or neglect.

Ideally, the parents of abused children could receive help and the children would eventually return to the homes of their biological families. It just doesn't work in enough cases and the nation's foster-care system has been overwhelmed.

Too often, children have not

CONTRIBUTOR'S NOTE: FCC ruling to require digital picture and sound to be put in service by all TV stations right after the new millennium begins.

Who's complaining about proposed rules? Well, I am. All those who brought current systems of Surround Sound into our homes are applauding them.

However, the ruling of the FCC is that all new digital video recorders and camcorders will soon be required to have some form of broadcasting. Digital picture and sound must be put in service by all TV stations right after the new millennium begins.

Worse, have you heard the projected costs of the new TVs — \$2,000 to \$5,000? Now they say we may be able to buy a TV converter starting at about \$100, but they don't say how the reception will be.

This also means that every TV broadcaster and every cable company must also install new equipment which will no doubt run costs for their services to a higher level which always means the consumer pay more.

The reason as spelled out by the FCC: much improved picture and theater-like sound.

Legislative bill improves lives for mentally retarded, ill

Dear Editor:

During the 1997 regular session of the Mississippi Legislature, members of the Mississippi House and Senate took definitive action to improve the lives of citizens who are mentally retarded or mentally ill through passage of Senate Bill 2100, the Mental Health Reform Act.

This legislation provides for significant service changes throughout our state. Senate Bill 2100 will provide statewide uniform standards and timely services at community mental health centers, will improve crisis intervention, provide group homes for people who are mentally ill, assure family involvement in treatment, enhance county supervision of community programs, assure better use

of state resources at local levels and will create a career ladder for workers in Mississippi's regional mental retardation centers.

Thirty-seven senators and 86 representatives voted for SB 2100. Senator Scottie Cuevas and Representative J. P. Comprett worked for its successful passage. These legislators deserve public recognition for their advocacy and support.

Thanks to their leadership, Mississippians will have improved access to needed services. Front line staff who provide essential daily life care will be afforded improved career opportunities in recognition of their diligent service.

Sincerely,

Joyce Shank, President

SMRC Parents Association

Cancer Survivors Day set June 7 by SMH

Dear Editor:

One of every three people in our community will be diagnosed with cancer. On June 7, Cancer Survivors Day will honor survivors in St. Tammany Parish and Mississippi's Hancock and Harrison counties who are living with and beyond cancer.

It will also recognize those professionals who are helping to fight the battle against cancer. National Cancer Survivors Day is an annual celebration of life.

Participants from coast to coast will unite to honor those who are surviving a cancer diagnosis.

In doing so, we will communicate to all Americans the message that life after a cancer diagnosis is a reality.

In my work, I see examples daily of courage, grace and

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1940-41 Gulfview students

This is a photo of the first three grades at Lakeshore's Gulfview School for 1940-41 posing in front of the wooden building which later burned and was replaced with a brick structure. Those in photo are seated from left, D.V. LaFontaine, Albert Asher, Tommy Moran, Donald Luxich, Robert Shubert and Billy Bourgeois; second row, Dennis Garcia, Jamie Tumplin, A.C. LaFontaine, unknown, and Chester Ladner; third row, Howard Bourgeois, Norma Johnson, unknown, unknown, Doris Luxich, Mattie Riggs, Lillie Mae Asher, unknown, unknown, Odessa Garcia, JoAnn Erskine, and Alton Ledner. Mrs. Mae Colson in back is the teacher. (Photo courtesy of Clara Lee Asher, wife of class member Albert Asher, of Highway 90 West, Bay St. Louis.) The Echo welcomes photos older than 25 years for publication. They will be returned to their owners.

IN AND AROUND DIAMONDHEAD

By Margaret White-Snow

SENIOR CENTER

You're invited to visit the beautiful new Senior Citizens Center in Bay St. Louis Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Our "seniors shine with new mural." The mosaic mural recently completed by center members under the direction of artist Elizabeth Vegia, was funded by a community grant from the Mississippi Arts Commission.

The group of seniors, which included three men, worked on their tile designs for two hours or more each weekday for two weeks, and they loved it. Arleen Johnson, program director, had her friend, Vernon Raymond, frame it at no cost.

You're welcome to visit the much needed new facility and see what our seniors are up to.

CONGRATS

At the 10th Hancock County Salute to Business and Industry, James C. English, president of Park Ten Lanes in Diamondhead, was honored by the Diamondhead Business and Professional Association as Diamondhead Business of the Year.

GOODY CREATURES

They're "all God's creatures," and the Hancock County Humane Society and its animal at the Waveland Animal Shelter on Gulfside Drive will benefit from some of the sales of Dr. Don George's book, "A Dog's View of the World and other Fables in Rhyme" now at Bookends bookstore on Hwy. 90 in Bay St. Louis.

ACADEMY HAPPENINGS

The second annual end of the year Musical Friends was held on May 16 at the school for family and friends. It was a terrific program and featured many of our children in solo roles.

It's great to have the benefit of music as a part of Diamondhead Academy's curriculum.

The graduation and awards ceremony was held May 22 with six children going on to higher and better things. "Way to Go," and a high five to Matthew Burke, Chris Cain, Max Fulford, Kunal Patel, Trey Schorr and Belynn Sheffield. Kunal and Belynn received the American Legion Award for outstanding sixth grade boy and girl.

ALUMNI HONORED

Leanne Bennett Burrie, who received honors when she attended Diamondhead Academy, has just been awarded the Joe De Kalb Robert Memorial Award, the premier recognition for a member of the Speech and Debate Team at William Carey College. Her proud parents are Mr. and Mrs. Lee Bennett of Diamondhead.

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Coldwell Banker Coast Delta Realty and the Diamondhead Supermarket invite you to participate in a blood drive June 11 at the Diamondhead Community Church.

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HAPPY LADIES

The Diamondhead Newcomers officers for the coming year are Elaine Smith, president; Pat Shambra, vice president; Marcia Frasina, secretary; Doris Gendusa, treasurer; Joan Lee, historian; Dottie Robbins, publicity; Chris Marz, member; Eloise Connally, hospitality.

Free positive parenting course offered

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FEMA recruiting officers

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is currently recruiting qualified public affairs professionals to join its cadre of people who provide critical information to disaster victims following Presidential Disaster Declarations, according to Valerie Bunting, FEMA director of Emergency Information and Media Affairs.

As part of the FEMA disaster response and recovery team, FEMA Public Affairs Disaster Assistance Employees serve as key staff members in Joint Information Centers located near disaster sites.

"We are looking for individuals with backgrounds in journalism, public affairs, public relations, newspapers, television, radio, corporate public affairs, advertising, marketing, marketing communications, emergency information, crisis communications or the Internet and World Wide Web for a variety of emergency information assignments," Bunting said.

Drawn together from a variety of technical and editorial fields, the cadre of FEMA Public Affairs Specialists serve as "civilian FEMA reservists" who work on an intermittent basis.

They must be willing to travel to disaster sites often for extended periods of time.

For information, call the FEMA recruiting hotline at 1-800-879-6076 or fax your resume to (703) 542-2484.

Clerks attend seminar

Madeline Pendergast, left, of Bay St. Louis and Paula Fayard of Waveland, recently attended a regional seminar and business meeting for court clerks in Biloxi. The program was coordinated by the Mississippi Judicial College, a division of the University of Mississippi Law Center.

NRL presents awards

Naval Research Laboratory (NRL) Stennis Space Center researchers received awards for publications/patents produced in 1996.

NRL's Commanding Officer Capt. Bruce W. Buckley presented Research Publications awards to Dr. Ronald A. Wagstaff, a general engineer in the Ocean Acoustics Branch; Dr. Michael R. Carnes, Robert C. Rhodes and Daniel N. Fox, oceanographers in the Ocean Dynamics and Prediction Branch; Dr. Zachariah R. Hallock and William J. Teague, oceanographers in the Ocean Sciences Branch; Dr. Warren T. Wood and Dr. Dennis A. Lindwall, geophysicists in the Seafood Sciences Branch.

Publications awards recognize the authors of the best NRJL publications each year, honoring not only the individuals for superior scientific accomplishments, but also seeking to promote continued excellence in research and its documentation. More than 200 papers were nominated, but only 38 received awards.

Capt. Buckley also presented NRL Edison Patent awards to Douglas N. Lambert, David C. Young, and former NRL employee Frank S. Carnaggio.

Patent awards recognize significant NRL contributions to science and engineering, as demonstrated by the patent process, that are perceived to have

the greatest potential benefit to the country. Sixty-two patents were submitted; four were awarded.

NRL's mission is to conduct a broadly based multidisciplinary program of scientific research and advanced technological development directed toward maritime applications of new and improved materials, techniques, equipment, systems, and ocean, atmospheric, and space sciences and related technologies.



Adams graduates

Roberta Adams, daughter of Charles H. and Sandra S. Thornton of Bay St. Louis, graduated from College of the Ozarks during commencement exercises May 12. Adams is a 1986 graduate of Hancock High School.

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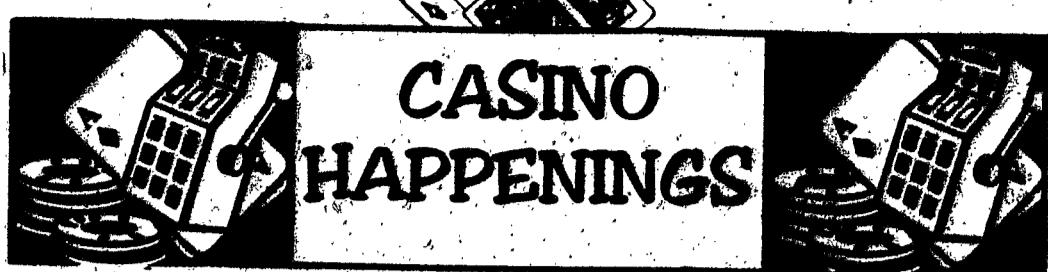
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Casino Magic dominates awards

Casino Magic was recently recognized as the business leader on the Mississippi Gulf Coast by being awarded Harrison County's Economic Excellence Award, the City of Biloxi's Business of the Year Award and the Outstanding Business Leader Award for 1997.

Additionally, Casino Magic employee, Sara Taranto Miller, was named the 1997 Volunteer of the Year by the City of Biloxi.

Casino Magic also received recognition as the largest donor in the history of United Way of South Mississippi, pledging

\$248,000 to the 1996 campaign.

"The casino industry has been a tremendous boost to Biloxi's growing economy; however, it's companies like Casino Magic that achieved the next level, through volunteerism and partnerships throughout our city. In the past year, Casino Magic has clearly defined the role of and set the standards for the term 'corporate citizen,'" said Biloxi Mayor A. J. Holloway.

"We're dedicated to improving the quality of life in the

community in which we work and live," said Bruce Nourse, Magic's director of community relations and senior vice president of governmental affairs.

Casino Magic Biloxi gave over 6,000 volunteer hours to various community organizations. Employees donated food, paper products and cooks and servers for an in-kind value of \$45,000. In addition, monetary donations of over \$150,000 were made.

Employees participated in the Christmas in April home refurbishing project, the Biloxi Chamber Seafood Festival, the Boys and Girls Club Annual Oyster Festival, the 1996 Heart Walk, the George Ohr Mad Pottery Ball and Festival and hosted the Blessing of the Fleet Coronation dinner. Employees also donated their time to the Gulf Coast Research Lab, J. L. Scott Marine Education Center, Louies and Fishes, Special Olympics, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and Camp Wilkes. In addition, Casino Magic had more volunteers than any other corporation participating in the AIDS Task Force Walk for Life.

Perhaps that dedication is one reason why the Harrison County Development Commission and the Gulf Coast Chamber of Commerce chose to award the Harrison County Economic Excellence Award to Casino Magic. The award recognizes a business in Harrison County that has contributed to the economy and quality of life on the Mississippi Gulf Coast during the past calendar year.

Magic won amongst a field of numerous candidates. Criteria for the award include investment in the community, enhancement of the quality of life, labor and management relations, leadership and recognition.

The Outstanding Business Leaders Award was given to Casino Magic for its efforts in preserving the rich cultural history of the City of Biloxi.

The City of Biloxi's Business of the Year Award was given to Casino Magic in recognition of outstanding community volunteer support.

Sara Taranto Miller, a Casino Magic Biloxi employee, received the prestigious City of Biloxi's Volunteer of the Year Award for 1997. Miller says that working for Casino Magic allows her to give something back to her own community that she might not otherwise be able to do in another job.

Casino Magic Biloxi, located on the beach in Biloxi, will celebrate its fourth anniversary this year. The casino employs approximately 1,000 people with an annual payroll of over \$23 million. Currently in progress is the construction of a 378-room deluxe hotel. Anticipated completion of the project is early 1998.

Casino Magic Biloxi is a subsidiary of Casino Magic Corporation, a publicly traded company headquartered in Bay St. Louis, which operates casinos in Mississippi and Louisiana.



T. Graham Brown

T. Graham Brown to perform at Magic

Throughout his musical journey, T. Graham Brown has captivated audiences worldwide with his raspy-voiced "blue-eyed soul" version of country music. T. Graham Brown will perform at Casino Magic in Bay St. Louis Tuesday, June 24 and Saturday, June 28. Show times are 8 and 10:30 p.m.

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National Guard members may elect G. I. Bill

The VA has a special message for current and former members of the National Guard who have served on full-time duty and who are not currently eligible for the Montgomery G. I. Bill — Active Duty. You may be eligible to elect G. I. Bill benefits as a result of recent legislation.

Deadline for making an election is July 8, 1997. The affected National Guard members must pay \$1,200 to be eligible, but this amount can be collected after July 8.

By making an election, you would be entitled to \$427.87 a month for 36 months of full-time training. The number of months of entitlement could be less than 36 if you previously used VA education benefits under a different law.

VA says if you can answer yes to the following questions you may be eligible to make the election.

Did you first enter the National Guard between July 1, 1985 and Nov. 28, 1989, and was this your first period of active

duty in the military? Was this National Guard service performed under title 32, U.S. Code?

Additional questions for persons discharged from the period of service which began between July 1, 1985 and Nov. 28, 1989:

Did you receive an honorable discharge?

Did you have a high school diploma, equivalency certificate, or complete at least 12 hours of college credit at the time of your discharge? If you were an active duty on Aug. 2, 1990, did you meet this requirement by Oct. 29, 1994?

Did you serve three years or more? If not, is one of the following statements true:

1. Your commitment was for three years or more, you served at least 30 months, and you were separated for convenience of the government;

2. Your commitment was for less than three years, you served at least 20 months, and you were separated for convenience of the government;

3. You were separated for hardship, service-connected disability, reduction in force, preexisting medical condition, or a medical condition that is not a disability nor due to your misconduct but that interfered with your performance of duty.

VA strongly encourages Guard members who believe they may be eligible to submit an election before the July 8, 1997 deadline.

A Guard member on active duty should submit an election through Guard channels. Contact your Education Officer for election procedures.

A Guard member or former Guard member who is not currently on active duty should deal with VA directly. VA says the best thing to do is to file an application for benefits (VA Form 22-1990) and include a statement that "I wish to elect the Montgomery G. I. Bill — Active Duty based on National Guard service under Public Law 104-275."

VA will make an eligibility determination and advise if you should send in the \$1,200. You can get the application form and the address of the nearest VA Regional Processing Office by calling VA's toll-free number at 1-800-827-1000. The important thing is to make an election before July 8, 1997.

In some cases VA may need copies of the Guard member's orders to active duty to establish that the service was under title 32. VA says it would be helpful if you furnish a copy of these orders along with your election.

VA says there is a downside to the election if you have already used the same period of service to establish eligibility under the Montgomery G. I. Bill — Selected Reserve. In this situation, you would have to repay the earlier benefits before receiving benefits under the Montgomery G. I. Bill — Active Duty.

For example, if you had already received \$4,000 under the Montgomery G. I. — Selected Reserve, it might not be a good idea to make the election since you would have to attend school nearly 10 months at full time just to work off the \$4,000 debt.

Another downside is that the \$1,200 payment will not be refunded under any circumstances unless the Guard member was not eligible to make the election in the first place. This means that a Guard member who does not use the G. I. Bill loses his or her \$1,200.

VA says that all things considered this G. I. Bill election window is a great opportunity for those National Guard members who qualify. But don't forget the July 8, 1997 deadline. This date is set by legislation and it would literally take an act of Congress to change it.

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Sheehy named Alumni Association president

Bro. Donnan Berry, SC, president of St. Stanislaus, inducted Ray Sheehy, class of 1948, as the incoming Alumni Association president on Feb. 22 during the annual alumni reunion.

Sheehy assumed the presidency after Earle Christenberry who has served two terms as Alumni Association president from 1960 to 1963 and from 1990 to 1997. He has served as president longer than any other alumnus except J. T. LaNasa of the class of 1947.

Christenberry served as a member of the Steering Committee for St. Stanislaus' Endowment for Excellence capital campaign. Also he yearly inducted the SSC seniors as alumni during a special dinner at the end of the school year, as well as supporting alumni activities.

Sheehy addressed the more than 200 alumni attending the induction pledging to form four alumni chapters, in Atlanta, Texas, Monterrey, Mexico, and Costa Rica, and to further the development of the SSC Archives collection for which he is the volunteer archivist.

Sheehy was born and raised in Limon, Costa Rica. He came to Stanislaus in 1944 graduating in 1948. Shortly after graduation he entered the US Air Force where he spent 30 years in active service specializing in the field of electronics.

During his service he earned the Bronze Star with a "V" device earned in Vietnam, several Outstanding Unit Awards, a Senior Missiles Badge while stationed at Vandenberg Air Force Base where he was Chief of Quality Control.

During active duty Sheehy



Incoming president

St. Stanislaus Alumni Association President Earle Christenberry, left, class of 1945, turned over leadership of the association to Ray Sheehy, class of 1948, during the annual alumni reunion Feb. 22.

Presently living on the Gulf Coast, Sheehy is an active volunteer serving as a communications officer for the Hancock County Civil Defense and the Hancock County Sheriff, and volunteering as St. Stanislaus' archivist.

He is a life member of the Air Force Association and of the Disabled American Veterans. He is a past commodore of the Makani Kai Yacht Club, Kaneohe, Hawaii, and is a registered IORC race official. He is also a member of the American Legion Post 139, Bay St. Louis, and secretary of the National Association of Retired Federal Employees, Buccaneer Chapter, Bay-Waveland.

Days of Remembrance

The Naval Oceanographic Office (NAVOCEANO) hosted an annual Days of Remembrance of the Victims of the Holocaust Observance May 7.

The program was centered around two guest speakers, Eva and Henry Galler, who moved the audience with true stories and experiences during the Holocaust.

Capt. Dieter K. Rudolph, Commanding Officer of NAVOCEANO introduced Mrs. Galler, who shared a part of history and her life as a Jewish survivor of the Holocaust.

Mrs. Galler was born Eva Vogel in Oleścyn, Poland in 1924. By 1942, she was living in the Ghetto at Lubaczow, before being loaded onto the death-camp train.

The Vogel family decided that Eva (15), her younger brother and sister were the only children old enough and small enough to escape by squeezing through the small train window.

"But I want to live" were the last words Eva ever heard from her three-year-old brother, and her parents, as the train thundered to a death camp destination.

Eva landed in a snow-filled ditch amidst German gunfire. "But they did not kill me. I went to find my brother and sister, but they were dead," Eva told the audience.

The Gallers were separated during WWII when Eva was sent to the Ghetto at Lubaczow, and Henry fought in the Polish Army.

The couple reunited and were married 50 years ago in Sweden and are the only survivors from their families. Eva and Henry's brothers and sisters (totaling 18), were killed in concentration camps along with their parents.

Eva escaped the Germans, but was still forced to work on a farm for a German family while she posed as a young, Catholic Polish girl.

Although Eva was unable to attend school as a Jew in Poland, at the age of 62 she graduated from the University of New Orleans with a degree in MBA and a law professor.

Life for the Gallers was not easy during WWII, but their faith, determination and desire to live gave them the opportunity to have a family of their own, a future and the strength to tell their story.



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Road

would relieve congestion by school buses taking students to Bay High School.

He said the improvements might also convince state Highway Department officials to install a traffic signal at the busy intersection.

District 4 Supervisor Steve Seymour made the motion to allow the city to take the county land for the project, and it was seconded by District 3 Supervisor Lisa Coward.

Seymour agreed that the road improvements would lure more doctors and other professional offices to locate near the hospital.

But, before the vote, Board President Philip Moran said, "I'm usually for road improvements...but I'm real concerned about the amount of traffic that will be generated if it turns out to be a shortcut to the casino." District 2 Supervisor Rocky Pullman sided with Moran and Ladner to reject the request.

Vanney seemed surprised by the turn of events, and said he planned to meet with Mayor Eddie Favre soon "to explore alternatives."

There was some good road news coming out of the meeting.

Supervisors accepted the low bid of TCB Construction of Poplarville for widening, paving and sub-surface drainage of Texas Flat Road, the main artery leading off Hwy. 608 into McLeod Water Park.

TCB was low of four bidders at a cost of \$658,678.69, and the project will be financed entirely by state-aid funds. It has been on the drawing board for more than eight years, and was complicated because the county needed to settle with several landowners for land it needed to widen the roadway.

In other business, Coward asked supervisors to draft a resolution formally requesting that the Hancock County School District consider selling

the county more 16 Section land at Standard for use as a rubbish site.

The motion passed unanimously after county attorney Gerald Gex reported beforehand that he had a conversation with School Super Terry Randolph, who indicated, "The school board might be receptive to selling the county additional land at Standard for rubbish."

The present 41-acre rubbish site is nearing capacity, and the state Department of Environmental Quality has informed supervisors that it faces closure or downgrading by June 30th unless the county can purchase adjoining land to extend its life.

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South beach property owner Jim Maness told supervisors he favored the project, and it would open up the area to future growth.

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The hearing is scheduled for 7 p.m. in the boardroom at the County Courthouse.

Supervisors and the Hancock County Solid Wastewater District also conducted a public hearing to hear objections or favorable comments on plans to provide sewerage to Clermont Harbor and Lakeshore Drive.

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Coach

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Hancock in the district tournament.

"We had the big heads on," admitted Ladner, cousin of St. Stanislaus coach Jay Ladner.

Ladner went on to star at Phillips College in Gulfport, where he was named to the National Little College Athletic Association All-District team. The Necessaire Crossing native helped lead Phillips to a third place finish in the national tournament.

He was also coached by his father for two years at Phillips. Mike Ladner then transferred to Southeastern Louisiana University.

Ladner, who at one time coached both the boys and girls teams at Bay High in addition to teaching five social studies classes, inherits a once-proud program that has fallen on hard times. The Hawks won only one game last season, after which long-time coach Dennis Peterson resigned.

"I want people to come out and be excited," Ladner said. "But people will have to be patient. I'm in this for the long haul. I want to bring the program back as soon as possible."

"I want to help the kids understand the tradition of Hancock basketball. I want to continue what my dad had a hand in starting."

He added the Hancock job was the only high school position "in the country I would accept."

"I love Hancock County and I love Hancock High School basketball," Ladner added. "This is a good time for me. Some coaches come back to their high schools too soon."

"After 16 years of being gone is good timing."

At Memphis, Ladner coached with former HNCE standout Joye Lee-McNelis. McNelis's No. 14 jersey was retired on April 19, 1993, in a ceremony that also retired the jersey of former Hawk quarterback Brett Favre.

"I missed the people of Hancock County," Ladner said. "I missed the people I went to school with, my family, friends and the children of the people I know growing up."

Ladner said he plans to move to Hancock County in early June. He and Jay Ladner have conducted a summer basketball camp in August, and Michael Ladner said that will continue.

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Nelson is the second escapee this year from the facility. A 21-year-old Wheat escaped in February but was later captured in Illinois.

Wheat's escape forced officials to weld shut the cell windows.

"We're always thinking of other things we can do to increase security," Peterson said. "When you're talking about trusty's, it's hard to prevent."

Trusty

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pounds, was cleaning jail cells when he walked off on Saturday. Peterson said Nelson met the criteria to be a trusty, which includes being held for a non-violent offense.

Despite Nelson's escape, Peterson said he has no plans to modify the trusty policy.

"When you have a trusty policy, one will walk off," he said. "But the benefits far outweigh losing one every now and then."

List released to locate 29,000 Mississippians

State Treasurer Marshall Bennett announced that he is beginning a major effort to locate over 29,000 Mississippians who have more than \$15 million coming to them from Unclaimed Property Accounts reported to the Mississippi Treasury Department from various banks, savings and loan associations, insurance companies, credit unions and other businesses.

"We are working hard to reunite people with their lost or forgotten money. Some individuals are due over \$5,000 and all others over \$100 each. A 36-page tabloid has been published as part of the effort to locate missing owners or heirs. The tabloid is inserted in today's Echo and Mississippi daily and weekly newspapers this week, and will also be available at more than 250 public libraries.

The main purpose of the Unclaimed Property Act is to locate the real owners of these abandoned funds. Since the Unclaimed Property Act was enacted, the Treasury Department has been successful in returning millions to the rightful

owners.

"In the past, unclaimed and dormant accounts in financial and other institutions were either charged off to the institution with the owner or heirs losing their rights to the property, or the account was decreased over the years through various charges. Dormant accounts and unclaimed funds accrued to the benefit of the holding institution."

With the passage of the Unclaimed Property Act, these institutions now must report and turn over to the State Treasury any unclaimed accounts covered by law.

"There is no time limit on filing a claim. The State never assumes ownership of any of these funds but rather holds them in custody available for claim by the rightful owner."

Should your name or the name of a relative appear on the list, contact the State Treasurer's Office, Unclaimed Property Division, P. O. Box 138, Jackson, MS 39205. The list may also be available at the County Chancery Clerks' Offices.

Switzer graduates

Loyola University in New Orleans has announced its recognition of John Switzer of Ocean Springs as its Outstanding Graduate Student of Religious Studies.

Switzer has recently completed the requirements for the university's master of arts degree in religious studies and is scheduled for graduation.

The award was presented April 27 during the annual Honors Convocation of Loyola's College of Arts and Sciences. Switzer serves as chair of the

Religious Studies Department of Our Lady Academy. He teaches courses on Church History, Moral Development and Christian Lifestyles and has been recognized by the Catholic Diocese of Biloxi as a master catechist.

He is a member of the American Academy of Religion as well as the American Society of Church History and is a graduate of St. Joseph Seminary College in Covington, La. and the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas in Rome, Italy.

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Stress

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The suit claims he was fired thereafter "in retaliation" of that complaint.

Martinez is asking for at least \$500,000 each from Peterson, the county and the sheriff's department in compensatory damages and at least \$800,000 each in punitive damages.

Peterson was served notice on April 26 and Board of Super-

visors President Philip Moran on April 30. Peterson's attorney filed for an extension until June 18 on May 16.

"It is the standard policy of the department not to comment on civil litigation pending against the sheriff's department in court," Peterson said.

The county has hired the New Orleans firm of McGlinchey Stafford to serve as defense counsel.

Favre

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Judge Robert H. Walker signed an order which will send Favre to prison, according to Ken Jones, Public Relations Director of MDOC.

The order referenced the sentence handed down by Walker on March 27 which gave Favre 15 years in prison, Jones said. Walker had suspended 14 of the 15 years and placed Favre under house arrest for one year.

According to Jones, Favre will be transferred to the Central Mississippi Correctional Facility near Pearl, where he will be classified and assigned to a correctional facility.

"It is the initial setting up of a file on the inmate which will follow him within the prison system," Jones explained. "From there the inmate is assigned to a facility."

The classification process examines such things as physical ability of an inmate, substance abuse problems, and medical limitations, Jones said. Additionally, inmates are screened for tuberculosis, AIDS, and sexually transmitted diseases.

Jones said where Favre serves his sentence will depend upon how he is classified.

Due to the nature of the crime, in that a person was killed, Favre is not eligible for a satellite facility such as a work center, Jones said. He also will be unable to serve his time at the Hancock County jail because it is not an authorized facility, according to Jones.

It is possible, however, for Favre to end up in a minimum security facility.

Jones said 688 inmates have successfully completed the Intensive Supervision Program since it began in September 1994. With 490 failures, the program has a success rate of 64 percent. There are currently 605 inmates under house arrest.

Upon beginning the program, an inmate signs an agreement, signifying an awareness of, and agreeing to, the conditions of the house arrest, Jones explained.

If an inmate violates the conditions of the program the house arrest is conferred to "a more formal style living arrangement, which is incarceration," Jones said.

Favre's arrest has attracted national media attention.

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Hancock County Lions Club



Past District 30N Governor Lion Greg Crapo presents President Lucille Boudreux with a membership growth award for recruiting a new member in October, which was membership growth month.



Lucille Boudreux, president of the Hancock County Lions Club, presents Lion Joyce Bermond her membership certificate as a sponsor after past District 30N Governor Greg Crapo gave the Oath of Induction.



From left front row, Mary Jane Schuff and Joyce Bermond. Back row from left, Elmer Schuff, Bill Dyer, Brad Baker, Lucille Boudreux, Bob Dardor, Dr. M.E. Henegar Jr., and John Necaise.



Lucille Boudreux, president of the Hancock County Lions Club, is congratulated by Vice District Governor Elect Lion Larry Sturgis for sponsoring Lion Joyce Bermond, who was reinstated as a new Lion.



From left, President Lucille Boudreux, Howard Peters, Region III Chairman of District 30N, Lion Wanda Berchelot, and District 30N Governor Lion Raymond Rome perform the induction ceremony for Berchelot.



From left, Brad Baker, Executive Director, Mid South Lion's Sight and Hearing Service, Jonesboro, Arkansas, University Heights Lion Club, President Lucille Boudreux and Dr. M.E. Henegar Jr., Area Director, Board of Directors Mid South, Mississippi City Lions Club, presented a program on Mid South Hospital located in Memphis.



Past District 30N Governor Lion Greg Crapo commends Lucille Boudreux and Joyce Bermond for their service of over 10 years to the Lions Club.



From left, Gary Snoofer, a transfer from Ohio, Joyce Bermond and President Lucille Boudreux welcome Snoofer as a new member.

SPORTS

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Entry forms are now available for the 1997 State Games of Mississippi. Thousands of entry forms have been mailed to sporting organizations and businesses across Mississippi.

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tics, canoe/kayaking, adult softball and swimming the weekend of June 21-22; and events in high school baseball, high school basketball, archery, bowling, 5k road race, judo, powerlifting, volleyball, youth recreation soccer, girls softball, stickball, tennis and track and field the weekend of June 28-29.

Athletes may compete in more than one State Games event and are encouraged to

pre-register. Some sports require pre-registration and many sports will be open until the time of the event, however, entrance fees are lower if you pre-register.

All registered athletes will receive a free 1997 State Games T-shirt and entrance into the opening ceremonies 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 27, where they will represent their hometown in the Parade of Athletes.

For information, locations of entry forms across the state, deadlines, entry fees or to request an information/entry form, call (601) 482-0205 or (800) 482-0205.

Cooper, Ladner finish one-two in race

Approximately 30 Late Model cars were on hand for the SUPR series feature at Sun Coast Speedway. Twenty-two cars qualified for the feature race, while the top five spots were determined by a tire changing contest held on the front straight-away.

Randy Blanchard's crew won first, placing him on the pole for the start of the feature race. As the green flag dropped, Mike Boland shot to the front from his outside second row starting position. It appeared Boland was headed for an easy win, but it was not to be, as mechanical problems forced him to pit for the remainder of the race.

Randy Blanchard moved to the front and held a comfortable lead for the remainder of the race. Two local drivers, Rusty Cooper and Mike Ladner, battled each other for position

from the start of the race as they held fifth and sixth place.

Cooper managed to move ahead of Ladner for good as both moved up to the second and third spots. Blanchard showed the way to the checkers and what appeared to be an easy win, but was all for naught. Blanchard failed to clear tech as he proved to be approximately 25 pounds light on his legal minimum weight, which resulted in his disqualification. This resulted in Cooper and Ladner moving up to the one-two spots, giving the local drivers a clean sweep.

Bubba Mullins, Ricky Kirkland and Butch Patton rounded out the top six finishers. Kalif Sellier, who has been an outstanding Four Cylinder driver, moved up to a late model ride and a consolation race win his

first time out.

Brent Magee also finished first in a Consy race, while Scott Slay, Blanchard and Donald Waltson all finished first in earlier Heat Race action.

Chet Morrison not only claimed the Pro Stock feature, but timed in with a new track record. Wallace Allen came out of turn two in the lead and held it till Ronnie Roberts managed to move into first. Roberts lost a tire which caused damage to Allen's car, ending the night's racing for both.

Chet Morrison moved into the top spot to claim the win. Mitchell Williams held off Richie Cialona to round out the top three in the feature. Heat wins went to Steve Pate Sr. and Ray Broadus.

Chris Moran and Rodney Barber shared the front row as they came to the green flag for the Street Stock feature. Barber led the early going, but gave way to Moran and suffered a flat tire ending his challenge with Moran.

Erine Parker and Tony Petro moved in behind Moran but could do nothing to reel him in. Parker, along with Bubba Trotter, won earlier heat races.

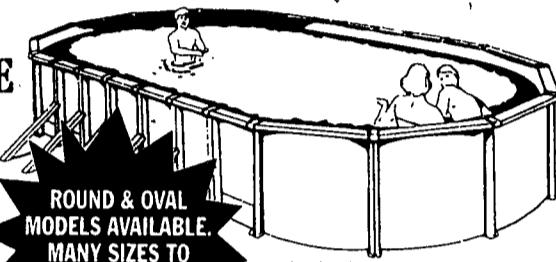
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Bailey signs with PRCC

Kelly Dawn Bailey, a senior at Hancock High School, is the recipient of a softball scholarship from Pearl River Community College. Bailey, a resident of Diamondhead, is the daughter of Wayne and Sharon Austin, and the late Billy Bailey. She lettered in softball four years, received All-District in 11th grade and has been chosen to play in the East-West All-Star Classic this summer. She will be a member of the Lady Wildcats under Coach Laurie Neelis. Bailey also received an American Legion Scholarship.

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Registration is underway for summer camp at Camp Magic. The camp is open to children 12 and under, and is scheduled from May 26-Aug. 8. It will be held Monday through Friday from 7 a.m.-6 p.m.

Registration is \$55 per week, \$45 per week for any additional children.

For more information, call 463-4059.

Top gymnast

Colin-Marcy Favre, 10-year-old daughter of Don and Dawn Favre, competed in the Western States Regional Gymnastics Competition April 11. She is the top ranked Level 8 gymnast in her age division (11 years and younger) in the state of Arizona and has been chosen to participate in the Tops National Training/Testing Program this summer. Colin-Marcy trains at Desert Lights Gym in Chandler, Ariz. and is coached by John and Lisa Spini. She is the granddaughter of Lydia Monti Favre of Bay St. Louis

Boating deaths at record low

Boating fatalities across the United States dropped to an all-time low in 1996, and the reduction in fatalities from 1995 is the greatest percentage one-year drop in 10 years, according to the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators.

There were 714 boating deaths in 1996 in the U.S. compared to 818 in 1995, a 13 percent decline.

The greatest number of boating deaths were 1,754 recorded in 1973.

"The typical boating accident isn't a fiery high-speed collision, but a simple capsizing or fall overboard from a small boat," Maj. Jimmy Laird said. "Usually the weather is good, visibility is clear, and the accident happens in broad daylight."

Laird said increased boating educational and enforcement efforts were partly responsible for the decline in boating fatalities.

Also, Laird said non-fatal boating accidents were down. "There were 4,589 non-fatal boating accidents reported to state boating safety authorities in 1996 compared to 4,954 the year before, according to

NASBLA.

Laird said much of the good news about reduced accidents and fatalities was due to increased boating and public education effort encouraging boaters to wear life jackets, as well as legislation and educational

efforts to decrease personal watercraft accidents.

Boaters pay for safety efforts through the federal Wallo-Breaux fund, a federal fuel tax paid by boaters that is returned to the states to pay for successful safe boating programs.

PRCC tennis lessons

Pearl River Community College will offer tennis lessons this summer for ages 7 to adult, says PRCC Athletic Director Keith Daniels.

Renowned tennis player Camille Soulier of Hattiesburg will teach the classes Tuesdays and Thursdays from June 17 through July 31. No lessons will be taught July 1 or July 3, while Fridays and Saturdays have been set for "rain days."

Registration has been set for Monday, June 16 from 9 a.m.-noon in M. R. White Coliseum. Registration forms are now available at the PRCC Athletic Office in the coliseum.

Class schedule is as follows: 8-8:55 a.m., 7-8 year-olds 9-9:55 a.m., 9-10 year-olds 10-10:55 a.m., 11-14 year-olds

11:11:55, 15-year-olds 5:15-6:15 p.m., adult beginners (18 and older)

6:16-7:15 p.m., adult intermediates (18 and older)

7:15-8:45 p.m., high school varsity/junior varsity players

4-5 p.m., physically challenged (wheelchair athletes). Thursdays only.

Cost for the tennis lessons are \$96 per student per 12 hours of instruction (family discounts available upon request at registration) plus one can of new tennis balls.

\$180 per student per 18 hours of instruction at varsity level (family discounts available upon request at registration) plus one can of new tennis balls.

Rackets will not be provided. Soulier has been a teaching professional for the past 24 years and currently holds the No. 24 singles and No. 10 doubles national ranking in her age division. She is ranked No. 4 in singles and No. 5 in doubles in the nine-state Southern Region.

For more information, call the PRCC Athletic Department at (601) 795-1179 or Soulier at (601) 268-3446.

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SSC baseball award ceremony

St. Stanislaus held its baseball awards ceremony May 7. Receiving awards were, front row from left, Chris Davis, Batting Average and Hustle Award; Kile Foster, Coach's Award; and Jimmy Smith, Defense Award; back row, Mike Smith, Pitching Award and Senior Award - three-year letterman; Jesse Williams, Runs Batted In Award; and Jason Chiniche, Mr. Rock-a-Chaw Award and Senior Award - five-year letterman. Not pictured is Joey Niolet, Most Improved Player and Senior Award - two-year letterman.

Discovery pilot program

Hearing impaired children will be able to join in the fun at Project Marine Discovery Sea Camp this summer through a special pilot program.

Dr. Martha Sager, coordinator of educational programs at the J. L. Scott Marine Education Center & Aquarium (MEC&A), said the camp for hearing impaired children, ages 8-12, is set for July 21-25 and will cost \$125 per child.

The five-day session runs from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Participants must provide their own lunches, snacks and drinks.

Field trips include visiting mainland beaches and shorelines; touring the Seafood Industry Museum, experiencing history aboard the schooner the Glen L. Swetman, and trawling for shrimp. Children will also visit the Walter Anderson Mu-

seum in Art in Ocean Springs and take a boat to Ship Island for beach combing, cast-netting and seining.

Volunteers are also being sought as oral interpreters to assist those children who can read lips but are not fluent in signing.

Marine educator Allison Sharpe, who is on the staff at the MEC&A and has a hearing impaired child, will be the lead

instructor.

To pre-register for the hearing impaired session or for regular sessions of Sea Camp, contact the MEC&A at 601-374-5550 or use e-mail, greenleesa@sea-bayhorse.ims.usm.edu.

A non-refundable pre-registration fee is required for all participants. The MEC&A is located on Point Cadet just east of the Isle of Capri Casino.

Pearl River Awards Day

Pearl River Community College held its 1997 Awards Day recently in Moody Hall Auditorium.

Local award winners for the 1996-97 school year include:

All-USA Academic Award and Biology Award: Brian Cuevas of Kiln.

Best Actor: ("The Spider and the Bee"), Jeremy Turcotte of Bay St. Louis.

OLA Booster officers

Our Lady Academy Athletic Booster Club officers elected for 1997-98 are, from left, Barbara Keller, treasurer; Debbie Clark, co-president; and Kathy Esher, co-president. Also elected, but not pictured, are Chris Roth, vice-president; and Cecelia Stahl, historian.

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Bay High award winners

Bay High held its awards ceremony May 15.

The following students are the recipients of the Mississippi eminent scholars program. The scholarship is based on a 3.5 GPA and a 29 ACT: Kenneth Spansel, Andrew Lanclos and Merry Moore.

Senior members of the National Honor Society: Leanne Baldree, Casey Bernard, Dayna Castanedo, Aaron Clayborn, Paula Estapa, David Flowers, Thai Huynh, Jennifer Ladnier, Andrew Lanclos, Jaclyn Magelssen, Merry Moore, Michelle Perniciaro, Kenneth Spansel, Julie Summers, Stacy Walter and Lisa Yarborough.

Alpha Honor Roll: Leanne Baldree, Dayna Castanedo, Aaron Clayborn, David Flowers, Thai Huynh, Efimija Kaspinova, Tram Le, Jaclyn Magelssen, Merry Moore, Brooke Newbold, Kim Nguyen, Duyen Pham, Raymond Ramsey, Kenneth Spansel, Julie Summers, Stacey Walters and Lisa Yarborough.

American Legion Award: Lisa Yarborough and David Flowers.

Presidential Scholarship: Andrew Lanclos, Merry Moore and Kenneth Spansel.

Dean's Scholarship: Leanne Baldree, Benjamin Brack, Wyatt Soulie, Michael Wright and Lisa Yarborough.

Honor Scholarship: James Arnold, Keesha Barnes, Christine Benvenutti, Casey Bernard, Jeanne Bufkin, Dayna Castanedo, Aaron Clayborn, Tiffany Coulter, Paula Estapa, David Flowers, Stephen Heaps, Thai Huynh, Jaclyn Magelssen, Sara Mason, Raymond Mueller, Hue Kim Nguyen, Rachel Perniciaro, Duyen Pham, Raymond Ramsey, Matthew Strauser, Stacy Walters.

Scholastic Excellence Scholarship: Leanne Baldree, Casey Bernard, David Flowers, Thai Huynh, Jaclyn Magelssen, Duyen Pham, Julie Summers, Stacey Walters and Lisa Yarborough.

Modeling Scholarship: Duyen Pham.

String of Pearls: Jeanne Bufkin.

Katrina McDonald Scholarship: Casey Bernard, Lonnie Bradley, Marty Poolson, Wyatt Soulie, Julie Summers, Michael Wright.

Academic Excellence Scholarship: Paul Estapa.

Leadership Scholarship: Julie Summers, Lisa Yarborough, Stacey Walters and Benjamin Brack.

Ladies Auxiliary Post 77 Scholarship: Dayna Castanedo and Sara Mason.

PRCC graduates 500 in commencements

Pearl River Community College held its 87th commencement exercises in two separate ceremonies — vocational-technical and academic — May 14 in M. R. White Coliseum.

Some 500 PRCC students received diplomas or certificates of proficiency during the ceremonies from PRCC President

Laidlaw Scholarship: Lisa Yarborough.

Wal-Mart Scholarship: Kenny Spansel.

Navy Scholarship: Wendell Raboteau.

Mississippi State Elks Association Academic Scholarship: Stacey Walters.

American Legion Post 139 Scholarship: Lisa Yarborough.

Mississippi Gulf Coast Pan-Hellenic Council Awards: Keesha Barnes, Aaron Clayborn and Nakietha Gooden.

The Lindy Callahan Scholar Athlete Award: Lisa Yarborough and Aaron Clayborn.

Tandy Award: Academic Excellence, Lisa Yarborough and Kenneth Spansel; Outstanding Teacher Award, Nancy Stravinsky.

National Scholar/Athlete Award: Lisa Yarborough and Aaron Clayborn.

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Award: Aaron Clayborn.

Principal's Leadership Award: Lisa Yarborough.

Star Student Certificate: Andrew Lanclos.

Star Teacher Certificate: Tanya Robertson.

Presidential Academic Fitness Award: Leanne Baldree, Benjamin Brack, Dayna Castanedo, Aaron Clayborn, Paula Estapa, David Flowers, Andrew Lanclos, Jaclyn Magelssen, Merry Moore, Kim Nguyen, Duyen Pham, Raymond Ramsey, Kenneth Spansel, Stacey Walters, Michael Wright and Lisa Yarborough.

Extraordinary Effort Award: James Arnold, Keesha Barnes, Casey Bernard, Jeanne Bufkin, Tiffany Coulter, Stephen Heaps, Thai Huynh, Sara Mason and Matthew Strauser.

Scholarship Awards:

Lisa Yarborough: Academic Scholarship to Delta State University, Leadership Scholarship to Delta State; Metropolitan Life Foundation Pathways

Scholarship, Nominated Gulfport Kiwanis Club Student of the Month, Nominated Exchange Student of the Month.

Kenneth Spansel: Academic Scholarship to LSU and Agricultural and Mechanical College, Academic Excellence Scholarship to Mississippi State University.

Dayna Castanedo: Academic Scholarships to Vanderbilt University, Purdue University, Tulane University, University of Alaska-Anchorage, Furman University, University of Hawaii-Manda; Army ROTC Scholarship, Keesler Officers' Spouse Club Scholarship.

Aaron Clayborn: Biomedical Scholars Program to Xavier University, Presidential Scho-

larship to Xavier and University of South Alabama, Academic Scholarship to Mississippi Valley State University, Hancock County Kiwanis Student of the Year.

David Flowers: Academic Excellence Scholarship to Mississippi State University.

Michelle Perniciaro: Academic Leadership Scholarship to Belhaven College, Mississippi University for Women, William Carey College.

Tuition Scholarship to Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College, Jones County Junior College, Huntington College of Montgomery, Ala., University of West Alabama; American Career and Beauty College, Cash Scholarship for winning the Gulf Coast Junior Miss Pageant.

Sara Mason: Presidential Scholarship to Judson College, Academic Scholarship to Cumberland College.

Christine Benvenutti: Leadership Scholarship to Mississippi State.

The following awards were presented to the students who have contributed the most in these areas:

Band, Matthew Allen; Chorus, Merry Moore and Jaclyn Magelssen; Female Athlete, Lisa Yarborough; Male Athlete, David Flowers; Drama, Michelle Bordelon; Speech, Drew Fryer; Deca, Marty Poolson; Leadership Honors, Jennifer Sellier; Home Economics, Brooke Newbold; Interact, Seniors; Vo-Tech, Joshua Ladnier; JROTC, Kristy Osborne; Art, Bobby Duhon; Yearbook, Christine Benvenutti.

Those awards were presented to students in recognition of excellence achieved in the following areas:

Business, A. J. Lanclos; Spanish, Casey Bernard; French, Kenneth Spansel; AP English, Dayna Castanedo; English, Jaclyn Magelssen; Mathematics and Science, Dayna Castanedo; Social Studies, Kenneth Spansel; Principal Award, Lisa Yarborough and Aaron Clayborn.

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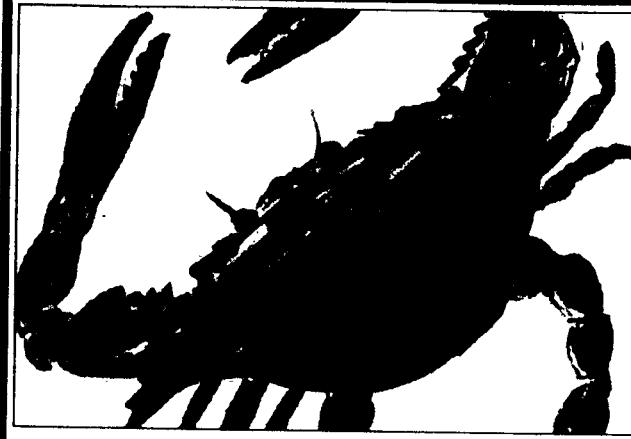
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SSC art award

St. Stanislaus students' art work won on the state level in the Federal Junior Duck Stamp Conservation and Design annual competition. Pictured are winners, from left, Greg Richter, Craig Patterson, Alex Beneke, David Oliver, all honorable mentions; Edward Dutriz, Museum Choice Award, honorable mention; and Scott Simpson, honorable mention. The art of these state winners was displayed in early April at the Mississippi Museum of Natural Science in Jackson. Dana Bordelon is their art teacher.

OLA students inducted into societies

Forty-one students of Our Lady Academy were inducted into national honor societies at a candlelight service in Our Lady of the Gulf Church.

Current members of the Monsignor Martin Maloney Chapters of the National Honor Society and National Junior Honor Society conducted the ceremonies. Amanda Vaughn, president, greeted the student body and introduced the program. Jessica Strickland led the assembly in prayer.

Erin Favre presented the virtues of truth and knowledge, while Sarah Luster lighted the candle. From the candle of truth and knowledge were lighted the candles representing the four characteristics of a NHS member.

Kathryn Scafide and Lauren Hansell presented and lighted the candle of scholarship; Emily Pela and Allyson Vaughn, the candle of service; Sarah Taylor and Emily Taylor, the candle of leadership; and Melissa Ridge-way and Beth Harris, the candle of character.

An explanation of the selection procedure for both the NHS

and the NJHS was given by the president. Current members of both honor societies tapped each new member individually, placed a ribbon and NHS insignia around each new member's neck and presented them for membership.

The new members of the NHS are Anne Boelte, Elizabeth Byrne, and Carey Sahuque, seniors; and Emily Alford, Bethany Balentine, Mary Coludrovich, Laura Flores, Libby Floyd, Kristen Gilmore, Anna Greene, Page Harder, Margie Harris, Rebecca Landry, Mary Nguyen, Carrie Patterson, Meredith Quinlan and Beverly Sy, juniors.

The new members of the NJHS are Leigh Ann Hartwell, Lyndsie Kivell, Christie Klein, Katie Stahl and Jessica Vargas, freshmen; and Ashley Alford, Elizabeth Chilimigras, Rachael Daurio, Katie Dennis, Christen Hartley, Kristin Keating, Rhonnie Lacoste, Kristin D. Ladner, Mary McConnell, LaTonya Piernas, Jill Rutherford and Sandra Whitman, eighth grade.

Yvonne Salloum recognized the following sophomores as

provisional inductees for the NHS: Leslie Bennett, Erin Bourg, Michelle Cuevas, Leslie Eaher, Kim Frazier, Kristyn Kolb and Patricia Williams.

Sister M. Donella, principal, congratulated all new members on accomplishing the four characteristics of the new NHS and encouraged all students to recognize their individual gifts and to continue to excel and accomplish their goals.

Other current members of the NHS involved in the induction ceremony are Anna Caboni, Anne Marie Cockfield, Nadia Fairconnetue, Katie Hursey, Kieu Huynh, Noel Twigg, and U'Nita Twiggs.

Also assisting in the ceremony were the following current members of the NJHS: Meaghan Donohoe, Roxanne Fletcher, Lindsey Gamard, Mary Ladner, Roxanne McCullough, Megan Pigott, Jennifer Samples and Kristin Wilkinson.

Following the ceremony, parents and guests were invited to a reception honoring the 1997 inductees.



OLA March Pepsi students

Our Lady Academy selected the following students for the Pepsi Student of the Month award for March, from left, Linda Nguyen, seventh grade; Jenny Geiger, eighth grade; Jennifer Samples, freshman; Kristin Cannon, junior; and Sarah Taylor, senior. Absent was sophomore Alissa Stechmann.

Montagnet graduates

Mi Mi Lillian Montagnet, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Montagnet Jr. of Pass Christian, was selected for membership in the Gamma Beta Phi Society, a national collegiate honor and service organization.

Montagnet has been placed on the University of Mississippi Dean's Academic List for the spring 1997 semester with a 3.5 GPA. She is a member of the Student Body Senate, Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority, the Catholic Student Association, and serves on the staffs of the *Daily Mississippian* and the Ole Miss Annual.

Montagnet is a 1995 graduate of Our Lady Academy in Bay St. Louis and is double majoring in journalism and French.

Tillman in MSU program

Lachina Tillman of Bay St. Louis is one of more than 775 students participating in the Cooperative Education Program at Mississippi State University. Tillman is the daughter of Shirley A. Tillman.

Tillman is completing third work semester with Naval Research Laboratory-SSC at Stennis Space Center and will be returning to the Mississippi State campus to complete the requirements toward a degree in computer engineering.

The MSU Cooperative Education Program is available to students in agriculture and life sciences, architecture, arts and sciences, business and industry, education, engineering and forest resources.



Pearl River graduation

Pearl River Community College held its 1997 commencement exercises in two separate ceremonies — vocational-technical and academic — on its Poplarville campus May 14 and some 500 received diplomas or certificates of proficiency. Here Brian Cuevas of Kiln addresses the academic graduates as one of the ceremony's primary speakers. (PRCC photo)

Smith graduates

Nicole Montagnet Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Montagnet Jr. of Pass Christian, was graduated cum laude from Loyola University's School of Law.

She was a member of the Moot Court Team and the Law Review and will be employed by

Lisko and Lewis, a New Orleans law firm.

Montagnet received her bachelor of arts degree from Boston College and is a graduate of Our Lady Academy in Bay St. Louis, where she was salutatorian of her class.

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Hancock STAR Student

Gleeson Murphy Jr. has been named as STAR (Student-Teacher Achievement Recognition) Student for the 1996-97 school year by the Mississippi Economic Council, sponsor of the program.

The Hancock High School senior was honored during the Education Celebration portion of the MEC's annual membership meeting April 11 in Jackson.

Star Students are selected on the basis of academic excellence. American College Test scores and scholastic averages are considered in designation of the schools' Star Student, explained Bob Pittman of Jackson, MEC president.

The STAR Program encourages and promotes academic achievement among Mississ-

sippi's high school seniors," he said.

Each Star Student is asked to designate a STAR Teacher, the classroom teacher who has made the greatest contribution to the student's scholastic achievement.

Mark A. Richards was designated STAR Teacher.

All 500-plus Star Students and Star Teachers will receive recognition from the Council; and the top 20 Star Students, named All-Star Scholars and their Star Teachers will be presented scholarship awards. The highlight of the Education Celebration will be the naming of the Mississippi Star Student and Star Teacher.

Murphy, 17, is the son of Gleeson and Julie Murphy. His



Gleeson Murphy

honors include Governor's School Scholar, Pre-College Enrichment Program, Boys State, three Rocketdyne Math and Science awards, Bausch and Lomb Honorary Science Award, National Merit Commended Student, Band Drum Major, Beta Club president, Science Club president, Math and Science Team captain, Quiz Bowl captain, National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta, Color Guard, Youth Entrepreneur Symposium, Fellowship of Christian Athletes and Students Against Driving Drunk.

Murphy plans to study zoology/pre-vet at Louisiana State University.

Richards, a Slidell resident, has been teaching band for 12 years. He earned an associate degree in music education at



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UM music camp

The fourth annual University of Mobile Summer Music Camp will be held June 16-21 at Thomas T. Martin Hall on the UM campus.

The camp is open to student grades 3-12 who are interested in piano, voice, band, strings, organ, guitar, harpsichord and music drama. Students will increase technical proficiency, expand their knowledge of literature and develop performing skills.

Recitals will be performed by University of Mobile faculty and special guest performers. In addition, students will attend classes in theory and music appreciation, participate

in daily chorus or band classes and gain experience on MIDI computer equipment. Private lessons are also available upon request.

Grades 3-7 will attend camp from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. for a cost of \$120. Grades 8-12 will attend 9 a.m.-4 p.m. for a \$135 fee.

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Jackson State University recently held induction ceremonies for the JSU chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta National Academic Honor Society. Alpha Lambda Delta is open to freshman college and university students.

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Former PRCC student Grisham Scholarship winner

Jamie Saul, a 1996 graduate of Pearl River Community College and a Business Information Systems major at Mississippi State University in Starkville, is the recipient of the John Grisham Scholarship for MSU's Department of Information Systems.

Grisham was on the MSU campus recently to meet with Saul, a Carriere native, and other Grisham Scholarship recipients. Grisham has given Teaching Excellence Awards in the past based upon research proposals that instructors submit, but this is the first year that he has given scholarships to students.

While at PRCC, Saul was

selected Phi Theta Kappa's Most Distinguished Student for the Mississippi and Louisiana region. She was also recognized as an All-USA Academic nominee and received the college's Computer Sciences Award.

Grisham, an alumnus of the MSU School of Accountancy and College of Business and Industry, and his wife chose to give something back to Mississippi for the rewards they felt the state had given them. The Grishams make donations to charitable organizations in the state, fund research for instructors, and scholarships to students to help defer costs of education.

Orientation session at Ole Miss

Summertime at the University of Mississippi means hosting orientation sessions for students who will be enrolled on the Oxford campus for the first time this fall, and parents are welcome.

The 1997 summer orientation program dubbed "Kaleidoscope" has been completely revamped from previous years in an attempt to better meet the needs of new students.

For students, the two-day programs will feature pre-advising sessions, a "Rebel Round Up" of campus organizations, campus tour, picnic in the Grove, and sessions on Greek life, intercollegiate athletics, web surfing, campus health and safety, housing and food services.

Students also will have an opportunity to register for fall classes and get ID cards, post office boxes, e-mail accounts and

parking stickers. Participants can stay in campus dorms to get a taste of college life.

Parents will attend many of the student session, in addition to asking questions of a student panel and attending sessions on financing a college education and making the transition from high school to college with their child.

Orientation dates are June 8-9, 11-12, 15-16, 18-19 and 22-23. Students must register by May 23.

Each session is limited to 285 students, and spaces will be reserved on a first-response basis. An additional orientation Aug. 17-18 will be held prior to the start of the fall semester for those who cannot attend any of the June sessions.

For information, call the Student Life office at (601) 232-5050.

Award winner

At the recent Bay High Junior Awards Ceremony, eighth grader Casey Favre received The American Legion Award, the President's Education Award, the Principal's Award, the U.S. National Mathematics Award, the Alpha Honor Roll, the Algebra 8 and Computer Literacy Award. He is the son of Michael J. Favre and Connie S. Favre of Bay St. Louis.



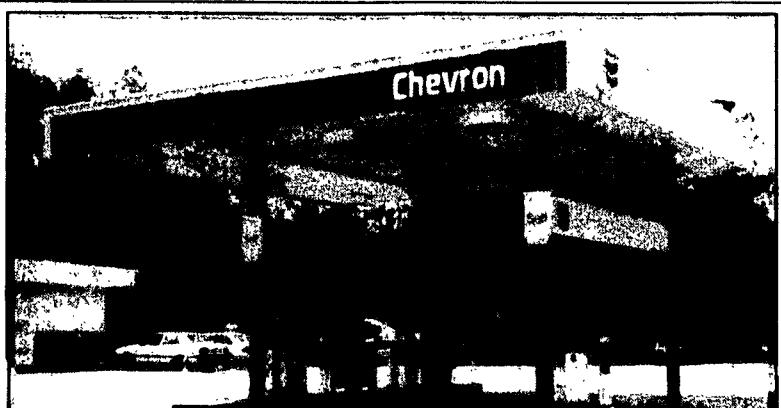
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USM recognizes students

Eighty Gulf Coast students were recognized during the University of Southern Mississippi's annual Awards Day ceremony.

Students at the afternoon ceremony in Bennett Auditorium were recognized for receiving more than 650 awards, scholarships and other kudos—including membership in selective honors societies.

Students from Bay St. Louis and their honors are:

— Frederick Herlihy Asher, 22, a senior microbiology major, son of Terrence and Kathleen Asher, J. Fred and Margaret Walker Scholarship for outstanding students in biological sciences; Omicron Delta Kappa leadership honor society.

— Julie Ann Heitzmann, 18, a freshman nursing major, daughter of Jerry and Debbie Heitzmann, Outstanding Freshman Female, Omicron Delta Kappa leadership honor society; Phi Eta Sigma and Alpha Lambda Delta freshman honor societies; Lambda Sigma sophomore honor society.

— Sharon Williams Netto, a senior fashion, merchandising and apparel studies major, Betty Dukea Craft Scholarship for outstanding students in the College of Family and Consumer Sciences.

— Susan Louise Robinson, 19, a freshman accounting major, daughter of Jim Robinson and Betty Robinson, Alpha Lambda Delta freshman honor society.

— Kelly Lyons Schwartz, 39, a senior special education major, Department of Special Education Award of Academic Achievement, given to the special education major with the highest GPA.

— Carol Singleton Wallace, 34, a graduate student in marriage and family therapy, Carrie Norton Herring Bennett Award, given on the recommendation of the graduate faculty in home economics.

Students from Diamondhead and their honors include:

— Bradley David Rukes, 18, a freshman marketing major, son of Lloyd and Donna Siomoneaux, Phi Eta Sigma and Alpha Lambda Delta freshman honor societies.

— Nadine Theresa James, 42, a senior nursing major, Nursing Eagle Award for the outstanding graduating senior

in the College of nursing who excels in leadership, community service and scholarship.

— Pamela Ann Ladner, 34, a senior library science major, Phi Kappa Phi honor society.

Students from Pass Christian and their honors include:

— Timothy John Ladner, 36, a senior history major, John E. Wallace Award for the outstanding student in history at USM Gulf Coast; Phi Kappa Phi academic honor society.

— Frances Coggins, 48, a senior special education major, Department of Special Education Award of Academic Achievement for the special education student with the highest GPA.

— Dori Richelle Garziano, 22, a senior elementary education major, daughter of Marsha Garziano and Richard Garziano, Phi Kappa Phi academic honor society.

— Jeames Beau Wilkinson, 20, a junior economics major, son of Deborah Caldwell, Cornelius and Vera B. Burns Scholar award, given to an Honors College Student who receives a Presidential Scholarship.

Students from Waveland and their honors include:

— Edna Parker Murphy, 55, a senior nursing major, National Collegiate Nursing Award.

— Richard Paul Soldinie, 19, a freshman political science major, Phi Eta Sigma freshman honor society.

Literacy program

Registration is now open for summer classes for the adult education program, sponsored by the Hancock County Library System.

Classes will be held Mondays and Thursdays, 3-8 p.m. Out-of-school adults, 16 years or older who need basic remedial/literacy services in order to improve basic skills or attain a GED are eligible for the program.

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Cuba Studies

By PHIL HODSON
The University of Southern Mississippi's long-awaited Cuba Studies Program is back on track, with an early two-week-long program scheduled in historic Havana this summer.

Approximately 15-20 USM students and scholars will participate Aug. 11-21 in the university's inaugural Cuba Studies Program, which will be among the first such programs established there. The application deadline to participate is May 12.

"These are real exciting times in Cuba, which is moving faster than ever toward a free-market economy," said Dr. Mark Miller, who began planning the program about four years ago with Dr. Tim Hudson, dean of USM's College of International and Continuing Education.

"A lot of small, private restaurants are legal there now for the first time and on a larger scale, the tourism industry is exploding," said Miller, project director and assistant dean of the college.

"Cuba believes a million tourists passed through the country last year. Everybody was there except Americans," added Miller, who revisited the island nation last September with Dr. Tony Hentz, USM associate professor of marketing, to conduct research for their planned book on Cuban tourism.

Initiation of the USM program has twice been postponed in the past year and a half — in October of 1995 because of "bureaucratic obstacles" involving U.S. Department of Treasury travel restrictions; and in March of 1996 because of heightened tensions sparked by the downing of two U.S. civilian airplanes by Cuban fighter planes.

Miller said, however, conditions are right now to act.

"Both the Cuban government and the U.S. government think it's a good idea," he said. "The Cubans are anxious for Americans to come. They want to work with American researchers and students."

"When we were there last September, we were well received, as always," said Miller, also a professor of geography and area development. "They have a great curiosity about America, as we do about Cuba."

The USM course — titled Cuba Studies: Economic, Social and Tourism Development — will offer three semester-hours of undergraduate or graduate credit in Geography, Hotel, Restaurant and Tourism Manage-

ment, or Economic Development. University professors may conduct individual research.

Participants will stay in the vicinity of beautiful, historic Old Havana. The trip also includes two nights in Varadero Beach, a rapidly growing international tourism center.

Licensed by the U.S. government as an educational and research program, lectures and group field visits are planned to the University of Havana, government agencies, historic and tourism attractions, museums, emerging private enterprises, a

mosquito farm and other business ventures.

The cost (double occupancy) is \$2,500, plus airfare from New Orleans. Single occupancy is \$3,500. Participants are responsible for their own airfare and hotel accommodations. Participants are responsible for their own airfare and hotel accommodations.

Registration will be on a first-come, first-serve basis. For more information and application materials, contact Miller at (601) 265-7300, fax (601) 265-7301, e-mail: lh@usmimg.net.

England Scholarship to boost women's opportunities

William R. England wants to help other women get the education his wife Mary never had. So in January, he established the Mary Elizabeth England Scholarship in his wife's memory.

"I wanted to establish a scholarship so that a worthy female student could receive a college education to help prepare her to reach higher goals than my wife could reach," said England, of Hattiesburg.

Beginning in the spring of 1998, the endowed scholarship will be awarded to a female student from the College of Business Administration.

Mary England died Sept. 29, 1996, after a long battle with lymphoma. She had worked in the debt management department of the USM Business Office for 18 years, the last eight as supervisor.

"Mary always encouraged young women to get an education and to be ambitious and industrious. For that reason, I have taken it on myself to provide this scholarship to give more women opportunities," said her husband.

He described his wife as a warm, loving person, always concerned about others.

"She used to buy copies of the book *The Greatest Thing in the World* by the dozen and give them to people," he said. "When she read it, it transformed her life, and she wanted to share that with others."

During her long hospital stay, he said, her nurses came to love her. But one particularly cantankerous woman failed to be moved.

"Mary said, 'I'm going to get her.' One day I came in and Mary was so excited. I did it," she said. "I nailed her. I made her smile!"

Mary England's working ca-

reer began at age 16 when her father's death made it necessary for her to drop out of high school. Later, she earned a high school equivalency diploma and secured Civil Service jobs with the Treasury and Agriculture departments in Alabama. By the age of 28, she had reached supervisory status.

"She never could take off enough time to get her college degree," England said. "I am so proud of what Mary could achieve without a college degree."

PRCC summer registration

Students can register for summer school classes at Pearl River Community College in the Admissions Office between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, through Tuesday, June 9.

The first term will end with final examinations Tuesday, June 30, with second term registration set for June 4-26. The second summer term begins Tuesday, July 1 with finals set for Tuesday, July 29.

Derby winners

Diamondhead Cub Scout Pack 20 recently held its annual Pinewood Derby races at the Diamondhead Community Center. Retired Colonel Chuck Ingraham served as the judge for the races. The winners of each division advanced to the District Pinewood Derby race in Slidell. The winners: Tiger Cubs Christopher Neceaire, first; Sam McElveen, second; Jackson Gilmore, third; Bear/Wolf/Cub J. J. Averill, first; Mark Hussey, second; Benjamin West, third; Webelos Bobby Nilson, first; Scott Hussey, second; and Jonathan McShane, third place. Additional awards were given for special categories and overall winners. Pictured are, kneeling, John McElveen, Jackson Gilmore, Christopher Neceaire, Sam McElveen; middle row, Anthony Ling, Trey Swanson, Bobby Nilson, Jonathan McShane, J. J. Averill, Benjamin West; back row, Ryan Chauvin.

Poetry convention

Dr. Glenn R. Swetman, noted scholar and poet, will be the keynote speaker June 22 at the National Federation of State Poetry Societies (NFSPS) Convention in Biloxi. Swetman currently serves as writer-in-residence and English professor at William Carey College on the Coast.

Swetman's subject for the program is "Sahara of the Bozarts: The State of Southern Poetry." He will also give an afternoon presentation on the topic "Teasing the Muse: Can Poetry Be Taught?"

The NFSPS Convention will be June 12-23 at the Broadwater Beach Resort East in Biloxi. Brenda Finnegan, of Ocean Springs, Mississippi Poetry Society's chairman of the event, notes that this will be the first time in NFSPS history that Mississippi has hosted the national meeting. The convention theme is "Magnolia Musings."

For information, call Brenda

Finnegan at 601-875-4350, or send a self-addressed stamped envelope to NFSPS, 5715 Belle Fontaine, Ocean Springs, MS 39564, for registration information. Convention information is also available on the MPS web page at <http://www2.netdoor.com/~lh/MPS>.

Topics discussed will be:

- A. Alternatives considered and facilities to be built
- B. Where the facilities will be located
- C. Why they are needed
- D. How much they will cost
- E. Estimated average user charges
- F. Landowner's obligations by acquisition of property, easements, and right-of-way
- G. Environmental impacts

The District will make a presentation to begin the meeting followed by a question and answer period. All concerned citizens are urged to attend.

Public Notice

HANCOCK COUNTY WASTEWATER DIST #1 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given of a Public Hearing to be held by the Hancock County Wastewater District #1. The hearing will be held on Monday, June 23, 1997 at 7:00 P.M. in the Hancock County Civic Center at 3089 Long Beach Road, Long Beach, Mississippi. This hearing is being held to consider the proposed changes to the wastewater collection system for Clanton Harbor area.

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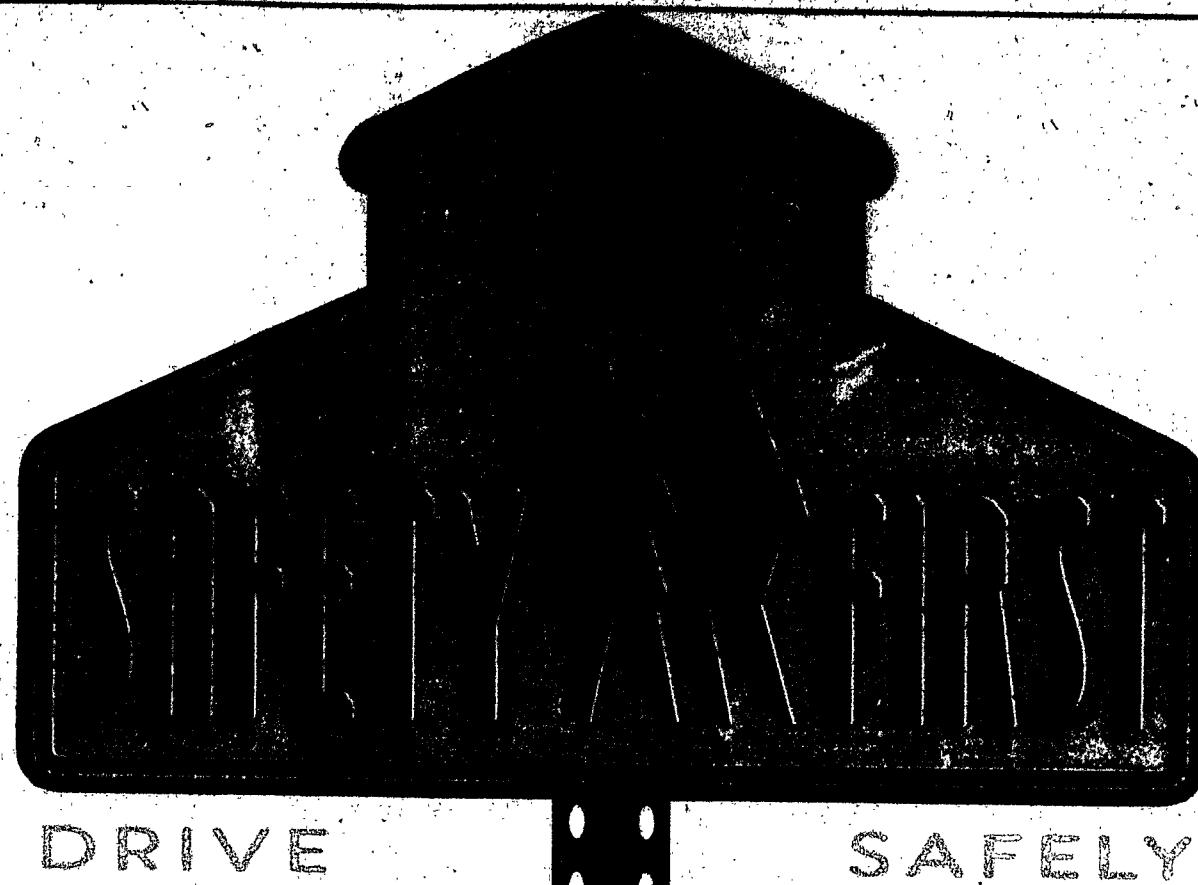
Lots 33 through 36, Gulfside Sites Subdivision MS. (3 bedroom, 1 bath, brick veneer dwelling with central heat and air). Located at 815 St. Joseph Street, Waveland, MS.

The sale will be held at the north door of the Hancock County Courthouse to satisfy that certain Deed of Trust filed for record in the Office of the Chancery Clerk, Hancock County, MS in Trust Deed Book 231 at Page 468. For complete legal description and details of the sale, please refer to the Substituted Trustee's/Trustee's Notice of Sale in the legal section of this newspaper.

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